

Room-Temperature Resistivity of Various Materials

Table 25.1 Resistivities at Room Temperature (20°C)

| Substance | | ρ ($\Omega \cdot \text{m}$) | Substance | | ρ ($\Omega \cdot \text{m}$) |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| Conductors | | | Semiconductors | | |
| Metals | Silver | 1.47×10^{-8} | Pure carbon (graphite) | | 3.5×10^{-5} |
| | Copper | 1.72×10^{-8} | Pure germanium | | 0.60 |
| | Gold | 2.44×10^{-8} | Pure silicon | | 2300 |
| | Aluminum | 2.75×10^{-8} | Insulators | | |
| | Tungsten | 5.25×10^{-8} | Amber | | 5×10^{14} |
| | Steel | 20×10^{-8} | Glass | | $10^{10} - 10^{14}$ |
| | Lead | 22×10^{-8} | Lucite | | $> 10^{13}$ |
| | Mercury | 95×10^{-8} | Mica | | $10^{11} - 10^{15}$ |
| Alloys | Manganin (Cu 84%, Mn 12%, Ni 4%) | 44×10^{-8} | Quartz (fused) | | 75×10^{16} |
| | Constantan (Cu 60%, Ni 40%) | 49×10^{-8} | Sulfur | | 10^{15} |
| | Nichrome | 100×10^{-8} | Teflon | | $> 10^{13}$ |
| | | | Wood | | $10^8 - 10^{11}$ |

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Temperature Coefficient of Resistivity (Metals)

Table 25.2 Temperature Coefficients of Resistivity
(Approximate Values Near Room Temperature)

| Material | $\alpha [(\text{°C})^{-1}]$ | Material | $\alpha [(\text{°C})^{-1}]$ |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|
| Aluminum | 0.0039 | Lead | 0.0043 |
| Brass | 0.0020 | Manganin | 0.00000 |
| Carbon (graphite) | -0.0005 | Mercury | 0.00088 |
| Constantan | 0.00001 | Nichrome | 0.0004 |
| Copper | 0.00393 | Silver | 0.0038 |
| Iron | 0.0050 | Tungsten | 0.0045 |